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## House of Representatives

The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
September 1, 2017.

I hereby appoint the Honorable FRANCIS ROONEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

Rabbi Arnold E. Resnicoff, Retired Chaplain, U.S. Navy, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

God, author of liberty, we pray, reflect, meditate in different ways, but sing "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," for unalienable rights, our Nation's backbone, come from You.

Life, liberty, pursuit of happiness—pursuing justice too—doors opened; walls and ceilings shattered; freedom shining through.

Today, in 1939, Hitler invades Poland. War spreads: liberty, life denied beyond a chosen few.

Humanity itself rejected with the Nazi stamp: "life—unworthy of life."

We fought, died for freedom's cause.

Lincoln taught: remember those who fought, gave their all, by continuing their unfinished work with increased devotion to their cause. Then they don't die in vain.

Neo-Nazis, racists, bigots, would quench the flame of freedom's holy light.

We pray for, rescue Harvey's victims, but hatred's storm clouds gather, threaten all.

Help us reaffirm our vision—brighter, more inclusive than before: every

human life created equal, holy, none less human than our own.

And may we say, amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(a) of House Resolution 481, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(b) of House Resolution 481, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2017.

Thereupon (at 1 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, September 5, 2017, at 2 p.m.

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2345. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting an alternative plan for monthly basic pay increases for members of the uniformed services for 2018, pursuant to 37 U.S.C. 1009(e)(1); Public Law 96-342, Sec. 803; (94 Stat. 1091) (H. Doc. No. 115-64); to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered to be printed.

2346. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to persons who commit,

threaten to commit, or support terrorism that was declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2347. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting an alternative plan for pay increases for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems in January 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5303(b)(1)(A); Public Law 89-554, Sec. 5303(b)(1)(A) (as amended by Public Law 101-509, Sec. 529); (104 Stat. 1430) and 5 U.S.C. 5304a(a); Public Law 101-509, title I, Sec. 101(a)(1); (104 Stat. 1436) (H. Doc. No. 115-63); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and ordered to be printed.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. McCAUL: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 3202. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit a report on cyber vulnerability disclosures, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-283). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. McCAUL: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 3284. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop Series, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-284). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. House Concurrent Resolution 69. Resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run (Rept. 115-285). Referred to the House Calendar.

### PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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